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HANGING BY HIS HEELS FIREMAN SWINGS WOMAN IN BURNING HOUSE TO ROOF

Dangles Head Downward,
Supported by Comrades, and
Lifts Her to Safety.

ALREADY A MEDAL MAN.

Citizen Saves Another Woman
by Carrying Her Across
Narrow Coping.

Two thrilling rescues of women were witnessed this morning in a fire which cleaned out the millinery store of Mrs. Goldie Sadykies, No. 320 West Fifty-eighth street. Five girls were employed in the store, and the three floors above are occupied as a lodging house.

About 9 o'clock one of the girls in the store discovered flames and shouting "Fire!" rushed into the street. She was followed by the proprietress and the other girls. An alarm was turned in and warning sent to the lodgers. Instantly all was excitement. People came pouring out of the adjoining houses and soon several women rushed down the stairs of the burning building, clad only in their kimonos.

While the excitement was at its height a woman giving the name of Mrs. Vivienne Carn appeared on a second-story window ledge screaming for help. Before the firemen could reach the frightened woman a man appeared at a window on the coping and made his way back to the building to where the woman stood. Taking her by the hand, he edged his way back to the window whence he came and handed the woman over to the through the opening, cheered by the crowds in the street.

Meanwhile Mrs. May Bradley appeared at her window on the third floor, in the rear of the building, which overlooks an alley. Crowds there cried to her not to jump. In a few moments three men appeared on the roof above her. They were Lieut. Simpson and Firemen John F. Mooney of Truck No. 4 and Thomas McManus. Mooney is one of the men who received a medal for bravery last week.

Hanging over the roof, head downward, while Simpson held him by the feet, Mooney reached down and grasped the woman by her hands, which were stretched toward him. McManus stood by and grabbed one of her hands and he and Simpson pulled Mrs. Bradley to the roof.

The rest of the lodgers on that floor went through the skylight and crossed to the adjoining roof, from where they descended safely to the street.

The flames shot up to the third floor on the outside of the building, but the fire did not reach the interior of the lodging-house. The damage is estimated at \$2,000. The cause of the fire is not yet known.

THINK CAPTURED CROOKS MAY BE PAWNSHOP ROBBERS.

Two Members of Gang Arrested
for Rochester Job Thought
Probably Wanted Here.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 24.—The Milwaukee police are convinced that the Milwaukee police department believes, now at the central station charged with complicity in a jewelry burglary at Rochester, N. Y., on Feb. 14. The others made their escape when a raid was made on their room at a local hotel.

It is thought that the prisoners may have had a hand in the big robbery of Simon's pawn shop in New York recently.

QUARRELS IN EATON HOME ARE TOLD BY WOMAN SERVANT

Grand Jury Witness Quoted
as Declaring Mrs. Eaton Said
'Conditions Are Unbearable.'

HAD ADMIRAL WATCHED

Expert and Detective Hired to
Watch for Insanity Signs
—Daughters Called.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PLYMOUTH, Mass., March 24.—District Attorney Barker placed before the special session of the Grand Jury the facts that led to the arrest of Mrs. Jennie May Eaton on the charge of having murdered her husband, Rear-Admiral Joseph G. Eaton, by poisoning. Admiral Joseph G. Eaton, by poisoning. Judge Huga A. Dubuque in instructing the jury made it plain that any known revelation of what took place in the jury room would be followed swiftly by the punishment of the offender.

The witnesses summoned included Miss Dorothy Alsworth, Mrs. June Alsworth Keyes, daughter of Mrs. Eaton, Dr. Joseph Frame, who attended the Admiral in his last illness, and Prof. William F. Whitney of Harvard Medical School, who found arsenic in the Admiral's stomach.

Miss Annie Rooney of Boston, a trained nurse, was the first witness heard. Miss Rooney has specialized on mental diseases and in 1911 was invited to the Eaton home in Norwell by Mrs. Eaton with a view to determining whether the Admiral showed symptoms of insanity.

DETECTIVE WAS ALSO CALLED
TO WATCH EATON.

She was followed into the jury room by Mrs. Fred Corbett, with whom Mrs. Keyes boarded several years ago. Mrs. Keyes is alleged to have told the witness that Admiral Eaton had threatened her.

Miss Jessie Collamore, a neighbor of the Eatons, Charles E. Nordstrom, a private detective, and Mrs. Hanna E. Barnes of Rockland, who was formerly a housekeeper for the Eaton family, testified.

Stories of jealousy between the Eatons have been told by Mrs. Barnes. During the six weeks that she was employed by them she was under instructions from Mrs. Eaton, she has stated, to refuse admittance to a woman neighbor during the absence of Mrs. Eaton from the house. A few weeks before the Admiral's death, the witness once said, Mrs. Eaton told her that "conditions at the house are unbearable. Something will have to be done pretty soon."

Nordstrom recently gave out a statement in which he said that last summer Mrs. Eaton asked him to spy on the Admiral because she thought her husband was insane. He undertook the work, he said, but did not go far, as he was not paid. It had been suggested that Mrs. Eaton was obsessed with the thought that her husband was trying to poison other members of the family and that she was given the impression that a commission may be appointed to determine the prisoner's sanity.

EATON GIRLS TAKEN TO COURT
BY SHERIFF.

Charles W. Blinn, an undertaker, was also heard. He had nothing to do with the case, but recently stated that all he knew of the Eaton family was "third-hand gossip."

WIRELESS "S.O.S" SAVES 47 AT SEA IN FURIOUS GALE

Tremendous Waves Make Rescue
in Lifeboats from Helpless Texas-Heroic Job.

CREW ADRIFT ON WRECK

With Propellers Gone, Vessel
Flashes Word of Present
Serious Plight.

Floundering helplessly in a high sea and a heavy gale, a deep slow and short, the steamer Texas, of the Norway, Mexico and Gulf line, is adrift somewhere, 1,800 miles or more, east of Ambrose Lightship. Her forty-seven passengers were transferred on Saturday to the C. F. Tietgen of the Scandinavian-American line. The story of the rescue was received in this city to-day by wireless from the rescuing vessel.

The transfer was made at noon, while the storm was at its height. The Tietgen had picked up a wireless call for help from the Texas early in the morning and had altered her course toward the disabled ship. Eight boats were launched from the Tietgen and were like chips in the hills and swales into which the gale had converted the ocean. There was danger of the boats being smashed against the Texas.

In life buoys men and women were lowered to the dancing boats. The light Jacob's ladders swayed in the storm and the pitching and rolling of the Texas, with her propeller gone, made the handling of passengers more difficult.

Thunder, lightning and tremendous downpour of rain and hail added to the terror of the passengers. But the men and women of the Texas, reassured by the officers of that vessel and cheered by the officers of the Tietgen in the boats, behaved heroically.

The wireless from the Texas elected to remain on the ship. When Capt. Wilquist of the Texas heard of this he signaled for a boat from the Tietgen and had them also transferred. He asked Capt. Thomas of the Tietgen to report his position. The following wireless was received to-day from Capt. Thomas at the office of the Scandinavian-American line, No. 1 Broadway:

At noon on Saturday took forty-three passengers off the Texas of the Norway, Mexico and Gulf line, 1,800 miles east of Ambrose, in 4741 and 3337 west. All well and safe. Texas lost all her propellers.

A later wireless from Capt. Wilquist to Furness, Withy & Co., No. 10 Broadway, mentioned the transfer of the four aeroplanes. The captain's aeroplanes showed that the Texas had then drifted many miles. The conclusion of the message was: "Terrible weather."

Another message from Capt. Thomas said that the Wilson liner Francisco had caught the Texas by wireless and was going to her assistance.

The Texas is 330 feet long and 46 feet beam. She was bound from Christendom for Gulf ports, by way of New York. The Tietgen is bound for New York.

MERCY PLEA DOESN'T SAVE CARUSO BLACKMAILER.

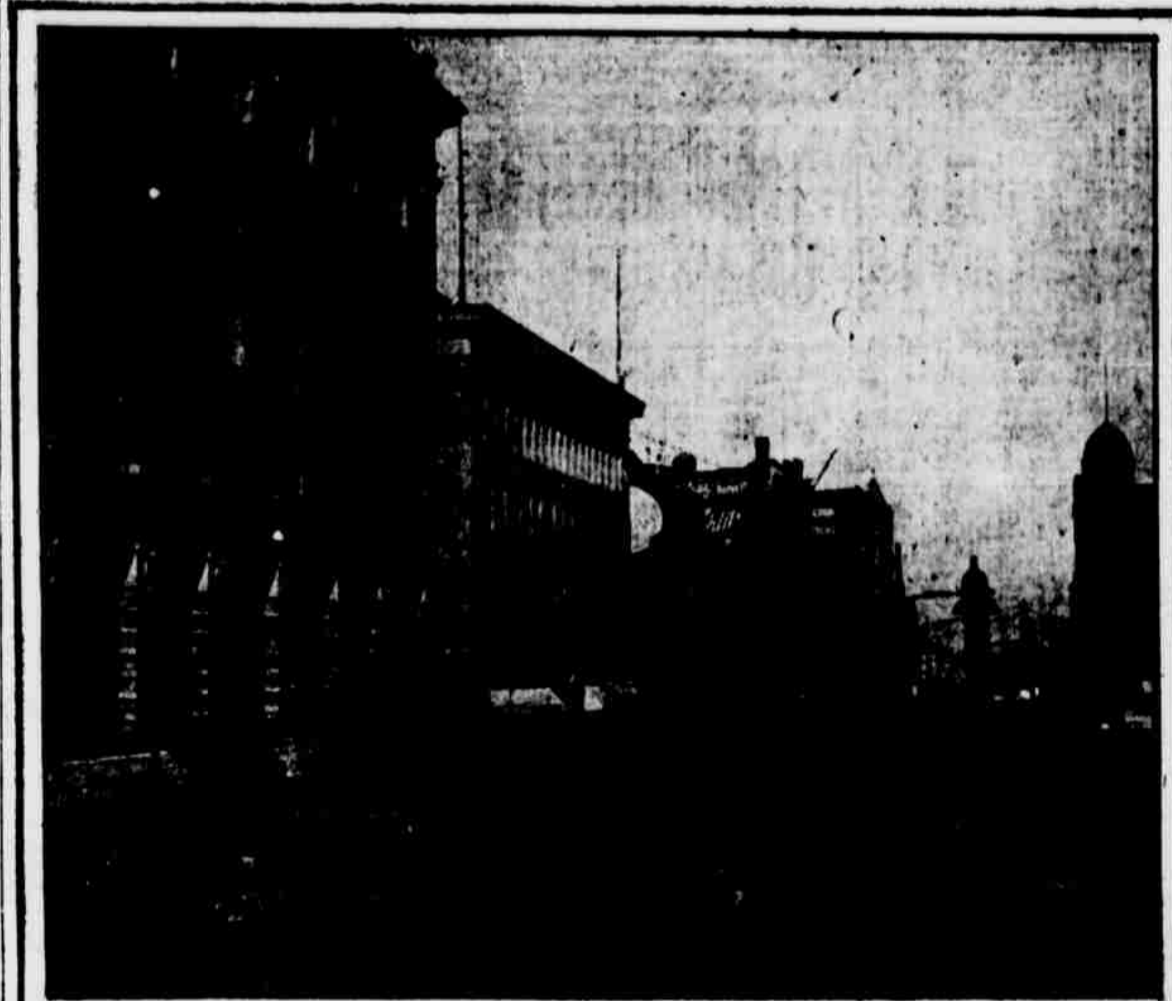
Gets From 2 1/2 to 7 1/2 Years Despite
Appeal by the Jurors Who
Found Him Guilty.

Judge Fawcett in the county court, Brooklyn, to-day sentenced to not less than two and a half years or more than seven and a half years in Sing Sing Antonio Cinotta, one of the three blackmailers who tried to extort \$15,000 by threats from Enrico Caruso, the Metropolitan star tenor.

The jurors who found Cinotta guilty asked that mercy be shown him and followed this request with a letter to the judge to the same effect. Cinotta has been tried for murder and Judge Fawcett told the jurors that he was not worthy of their efforts in his behalf. Cinotta is the only one of the three to go to prison. One of the men escaped and another after being convicted was released on \$10,000 bail pending a trial and jumped the bail.

Mr. Gough to-day visited their client, Mrs. Jennie May Eaton, held in jail here on a charge of murdering her husband, Rear-Admiral Joseph G. Eaton. The former's leaving the courthouse for the jail shortly after the sitting of the special Grand Jury which is considering the evidence in the case.

Heart of the Business Section of Omaha Shaken by the Fury of the Great Tornado



SCENE AT 16TH AND HOWARD ST.

JUSTICE STEINERT MADE WILL THAT IS FOUGHT AS ILLEGAL

Oldest Son Attacks Trust Fund
Dividing Whole Property
Among Three.

The intention of the late Justice Henry Steinert of the Court of Special Sessions to provide bountifully for the education and welfare of the three youngest of his eight children may come to naught, if the contention of one of his older sons, Henry N. Steinert, prevails.

Justice Steinert died suddenly of pneumonia Feb. 3 last on Staten Island. He left an estate valued at about \$90,000—\$50,000 in Manhattan and Brooklyn real estate and \$25,000 in stocks, bonds, cash and other personal property. His eight children are: Henry N. Steinert, Eugene M. Steinert, Ambrose M., Walter G., John F., Anna T., Mrs. Alma C. Kiernan and Mrs. Lillian E. O'Brien.

LEFT ALL PROPERTY IN TRUST FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN.

By the terms of his will, which was filed for probate to-day in the surrogate's court, he appointed Henry M. and Eugene M. Steinert, his executors and bequeathed all his property to them, to be a trust fund for the benefit, only, of his three youngest children, Anna, Walter and John.

The will was dated May 22, 1908, and in it Justice Steinert said that "while he felt the same affection for all his children" the five oldest were self-supporting and bountifully supplied, and he wished the three youngest to have as good a start in life as their older brothers and sisters.

Henry N. Steinert filed a suit in the Supreme Court to-day, asking for a construction of the will by the Court. In his complaint he expresses grave doubts as to the validity of the clause of the will creating a trust fund of all the property for the three youngest children.

"In such a construction," the complaint reads, "the estate would have to be distributed as if Justice Steinert had died leaving no will. Hence, until a judicial interpretation of the will, it would be dangerous to distribute any of the money in accordance with its terms."

Should the trust fund clause of the will be set aside by the Court, the three youngest children would each receive

333 Killed and 1,275 Injured By Storms in Five States

	Known Dead.	Estimated Dead.	Estimated Seriously Injured.
OMAHA, NEB.	80	200	700
YUTAN, NEB.	15	25	50
BERLIN, NEB.	8	8	30
OTHER NEBRASKA TOWNS.	18	35	150
CHICAGO	4	—	100
COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA.	8	15	20
WOODBINE, IA.	6	10	25
FLAT SPRINGS, MO.	5	10	50
TERRE HAUTE, IND.	25	30	150
TOTALS	169	333	1,275

STORM DAMAGE IN OMAHA ALONE:
LIVES LOST, 200.
PERSONS INJURED, 700.
HOUSES DEMOLISHED, 150.
CHURCHES WRECKED, 11.
SCHOOLS WRECKED, 8.
HOUSES DAMAGED, 250.

Mayor Issues Proclamation Asking Aid for the Homeless

OMAHA, March 24.—Mayor Dahlman issued the following proclamation this morning:

To the People of Omaha:
A great calamity has struck our city. Many lives and homes have been destroyed. The authorities, with the assistance of Major C. F. Hartmann of Fort Omaha, with two hundred troops, are doing all that can be done in guarding property and rescuing the dead and injured.

It will be necessary to properly patrol this district, which extends over several miles of territory, until matters can be adjusted so that property can be protected and men have an opportunity to clear the wreckage. No one will be allowed inside the lines unless properly authorized, so I call on the public generally to be patient.

Thousands of volunteers are doing all they can. I appeal to the people in this hour of distress to house and feed all that need help until other arrangements can be made.

(Signed) JAMES C. DAHLMAN,
Mayor.

only one-ninth of the estate, instead of one-third, as provided in the will, the other five-eighths going one to each of the other five children, who were not in Omaha when the storm broke.

W. J. BRYAN SAFE:
LEFT OMAHA FEW
HOURS BEFORE STORM.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—State Department officials were relieved to learn this afternoon that Secretary of State Bryan and his wife were not in Omaha when the storm broke.

Bryan's itinerary, as he left it here, indicated that he might have been in the stricken city. He was in Lincoln, having left Omaha Sunday morning.

400 HOUSES WRECKED, 200 KILLED IN OMAHA; TROOPS GUARD CITY

Tornado Destroys Eleven Churches,
Eight Schools, Convent and Hos-
pital, and Soldiers Are Called
to Keep Robbers in Check.

MANY SMALL VILLAGES
WIPED OUT BY STORMS

Total Number of Injured Is Reported
to Be 1,275, and Property Loss
Is \$8,000,000.

Two tornadoes in districts in the Middle West separated by nearly 600 miles brought death to about 333 persons and caused property loss amounting to probably \$8,000,000 late yesterday afternoon.

Omaha, Neb., and Terre Haute, Ind., were the two separated tornado centres. It is estimated that the number of dead in and around Omaha will reach 250. In Terre Haute, Ind., it is now known to be twenty-five.

The tornadoes, one on the banks of the Missouri and the other in the heart of level Indiana, were the most violent manifestations of an equinoctial weather disturbance that covered the entire West and Southwest. The entire area between the Rocky Mountains and the Great Lakes was affected.

The Weather Bureau reports that another storm is developing west of the Rocky Mountains. It is due to pass over the East Tuesday night or Wednesday.

Storm warnings are ordered up from Hatteras to Eastport on the Atlantic and cold wave warnings in the West Lake region, the Middle and Upper Mississippi Valley.

OMAHA, Neb., March 24.—Omaha, with the bodies of eighty of her people in morgues and probably 120 more in the ruins left by the tornado of yesterday evening, is under martial law to-day. It has been discovered that in the darkness and desolation following the storm ghoul prowled through the district laid waste by the storm, looting homes and even stealing jewelry and money from the clothing of the dead.

Soldiers of the regular army from Fort Crook, under command of Major Hartman, and the entire local force of the State militia have fanned a line around the devastated section and none is allowed within the lines without authority. A procession of automobiles pressed into ambulance service is moving from the tornado swept section to the various emergency hospitals that have been established nearby.

BUNT FOR THE DEAD ONLY JUST BEGUN.

Nearly all the injured have been accounted for. The work of searching the chaotic mass of wreckage of homes for the bodies of the dead has just begun.

It is estimated that the dead in Omaha proper numbers 200 and that nearly 100 more were killed in smaller towns in Nebraska and Iowa which were visited by the main storm or its branches. The known dead in Council Bluffs, Ia., across the Missouri River, number eight.

Offers of assistance are pouring in from all over the West. The city of Omaha has appropriated \$25,000 to a relief fund and private citizens have already raised as much more. The Red Cross is arranging for relief and doctors and nurses are arriving from neighboring cities.

PROFESSIONAL MEN GREATEST SUFFERERS.

The tornado's greatest force was exerted in the best residential district of Omaha and among the sufferers are many of the best known business and professional men. To-day a section of Omaha that was the city's pride only twenty-four hours ago is a bleak waste of twisted, smoking wreckage. The sky is overcast and a bitterly cold north wind adds to the misery of the scene and the discomfort of the wretched survivors.

The stretch of Omaha covered by the tornado reaches from the southern limits to the suburb of Florence, six miles north of the point of origin. The storm swept the western part of the city for its entire length, following the west side of the valley, extending along the Missouri River bluffs. The eastern half of the city—generally composing the business section—was out of the path of the storm, but suffered greatly.

DAMAGE WEST OF TWENTY-FOURTH STREET.

The greater part of the damage was done west of Twenty-fourth street, a north and south cross-town street, extending the entire length of the city. Numerous streets with retail stores are in this section with the residence portion of the city scattered in intervening sections.

Many of the best parks in the city are located within the district cov-

FOR RACING SEE PAGE 5.